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## End of the Franco-Prussian War.

The election returns in France give 307 Bonapartists and Orleanists against 80 Republicans. Thus, forever vanishes the rich dream of a French Republic. Either a Bonapartist or Orleanist will be placed upon the throne, and monarchial rule again hold sway. Napoleon has issued a proclamation to the French people, in which he says, "For my self, I do not claim any right to the throne, but I do claim my right to the throne, and until the people express their will, all acts are illegitimate."

Mr. Krantz Zeitung estimated the French elections to have resulted in at least a two third vote in favor of a monarchial institution, and says scarcely one third of the members chosen to the Assembly are Republicans. The Imperialists are also badly beaten, and the future for France seems to be between the Bonapartists and Orleanists.

A dispatch dated Paris, February 13, says: Everything has been arranged at Bordeaux for a committee to negotiate a treaty of peace. A draft of the treaty has been approved by Bismarck and Moltke. The treaty will be signed immediately, and the German troops will then march through Paris to Strasbourg Station, and take trains for home. Trains will follow each other as rapidly as possible. The Assembly will then adjourn to Paris, and proceed with the reorganization of France.

The press of Paris alludes to the proposed entry of the German army into Paris excited terms. The Reformers oppose the entry of the German troops as such, and foresees a bloody encounter between them and the citizens. A majority of the journals counsel the citizens to remain indoors, and display mourning emblems from their residences during the passage of the German troops.

## The Cincinnati Railroad Extension.

The defeat of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad enterprise is creating intense excitement and dissatisfaction among the people of Central Kentucky. The newspapers and delegates from that part of the State vow that no individual who voted against their right to railroad facilities shall ever see daylight as a State politician. They attribute its defeat to the influence of the Louisville and Nashville of Louisville. Curses mountain high are piled up on the aspiring men who voted against the bill, and there is no doubt but that the question will play a conspicuous part in our approaching August elections. Senator Sherman, of Ohio, since the defeat of the charter by our State Legislature, has asked Congress to grant the right of way, Kentucky to the contrary notwithstanding. Whatever may be said of the power of Congress under the Constitution to grant this right of way, the advice seem to indicate that Sherman's bill will pass.

There is just yet no ready means of predicting the result. If Congress pass Mr. Sherman's bill the matter is likely to be carried before the courts, and will hardly enter into the next State canvass. It will take a legal intestine of a popular form. But if Congress fails, or delays, we should think, judging by the various signals that have been thrown out, that a combination ticket may be arranged and a campaign for next summer.

The opponents of the charter in our State Legislature are perhaps equally as bitter against the supporters of the charter, grave insinuations of bribery and corruption being instilled against certain members. Somehow the name of Col. Geo. W. Silvertooth has become thus connected, but the Columbus Dispatch and Paducah Herald, papers which of all others know him best, indignantly repel the insinuation. The Herald says, "No one but a fool or knave would talk about corruption in connection with George Silvertooth."

## Amnesty.

There is but little probability of any two great acts of general amnesty during the present session of Congress. The repeal of the test oath was thought as much as could be at present secured, and it seems that the apprehensions that the President would veto it are no longer entertained, as he has signified his willingness to let it become a law.

Mr. Paducah Herald has been asleep on the negro question for many weeks. We thought his silence might be indicative of conviction, but it yet has "swollen in its teeth." It is attempting to tear down a recent Democratic Convention of McCracken county. It reminds us of the man discovered tearing down an old farmers fence, and when hailed to know the reason, explained that he was suddenly seized with the shakes, and was holding on the fence for support. The Herald has got the shakes, and must hold on to the negro yet a little longer.

The Tennessee War steamer Tennessee on which sailed the San Domingo Commissioners, is not yet heard from, and great apprehensions are entertained that she is lost. On board was Ben Wade, Fred Douglas, and a crew of black and white radicals.

## Jurisdiction of the U. S. Courts.

It is a common error, which many persons entertain, that the Federal courts desire and will continue to exercise jurisdiction over litigations pertaining to the negro, even should the State courts receive them as competent witnesses. This was the only view upon which any opposition was founded in our late convention. The following from the Louisville Commercial, gives Judge Ballard's opinion on this point, and as he is the only Federal Judge now claiming such jurisdiction, his opinion settles the point:

The third section of the act gives to the courts of the United States jurisdiction of all cases civil and criminal affecting persons who are denied, in the courts or judicial proceedings of any State, any of the rights secured by the first section of the bill, and as the right to give evidence is the only one denied by the laws of Kentucky to the colored population, it follows that this jurisdiction of the Federal courts will cease upon the removal of that disability.

Judge Ballard, in delivering his charges to the Grand Jury of the United States Courts, has, time and again, stated that the courts of the United States had jurisdiction of these cases upon the sole ground of the refusal of the State courts to allow persons of color to testify, and that, when permitted to be witnesses in these tribunals, his court would have no jurisdiction to try any case, either civil or criminal, affecting them. His charges to the juries in his courts have been published in both this paper and the Courier-Journal, and editorial notices in both papers, directing public attention to this point. It was only yesterday that, in a conversation with Judge Ballard, he repeated the views in part expressed above, and further stated that any lawyer who would read the act of Congress could not fail to entertain the same opinion.

Our worthy co-temporary, J. G. Ford, editor of the Owensboro Shield, is a candidate for the Legislature in Daviess county. He is an able editor, and we think would make an able representative. Success to him.

The Columbus Dispatch says, A. S. Arnold, Sheriff of Hickman county, for the past four years, has paid up the last dollar due him to the State, and has received his quietus from Col. Smith, the Auditor.

POLITICS IN GRAVES COUNTY.—A number of prominent citizens of Graves have united in a call upon Maj. Robt. T. Johnson, Jr., to become a candidate for the Lower Branch of the Legislature. We regard him as a good and true Democrat, and a young man of fine future promise.

The Columbus Dispatch says: "The best farmers in this county inform us that, though the severe cold weather in December had rendered the blades and gave the fields a bare appearance, they believe the stand of wheat, wherever the crop was properly put in."

THE Middle Tennessee papers speak despondently of the coming wheat crop. In the first place, not more than half the usual quantity was sown, and now a very poor stand is reported.

LEGISLATIVE HONORS.—In another column will be found a number of calls upon different citizens soliciting them to become candidates for Legislative honors. We are at all times thankful to citizens, especially representative men, for expressions either in regard to public men or measures, and are only too anxious to make the COURIER the faithful vehicle of such views, but all will admit the necessity of our limiting the privilege to our columns in this regard. Hereafter, we shall only publish the substance of such calls, or if more is desired, it will be charged for.

## A Protest from Kentucky.

Resolutions, introduced by Mr. Atherton, have passed the Kentucky Legislature, protesting against Congress granting the right of way to the Cincinnati Southern Railroad through this State, and instructing our members to oppose by their votes the enactment by Congress of a bill formally and officially pronounced against by our people through their Legislature. The Legislature of Kentucky is Democratic, and among Democrats there ought to be no divided opinion as to the duty of checking the Federal Congress as far as may be in the system of usurpation and tyranny of the United States. Should the Cincinnati Southern be granted the power by Congress to take the route through this State, it would be a precedent that would have an existence in the Commonwealth, whereas an appeal to the people of the State may condemn the action of the State Senate.

THE Henderson Reporter prophesies "political death" to public men who favor the admission of negro evidence in our State courts. It imitates the wisdom of the clairvoyant, who advertises to foretell the past, and will be classed with such prophets.

THE unpopularity of Queen Victoria in England is an old story. Why it is cannot be so plain. But it certainly is and has been any time these eight or ten years.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Queen, proceeded by the harbor guards, in passing through Whitehall to open Parliament to-day, was greeted with mingled cheers and hisses, the latter predominating. The cheers were chiefly given by the Germans. Extraordinary police precautions prevented disorder.

Just Received.  
The latest styles of Ladies, Misses and Children's Cloth, Calfs and Goat Custom Made Shoes. Call and see them.

THOS. L. NORRIS.

## Illustration of Gov. Leslie.

A message was received from the Senate by Messrs. Spalding and Whitaker, announcing that the Senate was ready to take part in the inauguration of Governor Leslie.

After a short time, Mr. McKee, from the committee on the part of the House of Representatives, announced that the Senate of Kentucky, who were seated, had introduced to the Senators and Representatives by Governor John W. Stevenson, in a few appropriate remarks, Governor Leslie then delivered the following inaugural address, viz:

Gentlemen of the General Assembly, Ladies and Fellow-citizens:  
I appear before you at this time for the purpose of being qualified, and assuming the duties of the office of Chief Magistrate of the State of Kentucky.

In all the records making up the history of this proud old Commonwealth, now in its seventy ninth year of her existence, there is but one instance where the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor, were both at the same time vacant. The good men who framed our constitution wisely provided for such contingency, and such a one is again upon us. Our most excellent and distinguished Chief Magistrate, the Hon. John W. Stevenson, has resigned, and ceases to be the Governor of the Commonwealth, he has been called by the people to serve another field of labor, and to be a month piece for his State in another forum, and under the provisions of the Constitution, that highly honorable and responsible office is now open to the people of the State for the time being.

I enter upon the discharge of the duties of this exalted office (in my native State) under a full sense of the great responsibilities attaching thereto. Remembering the distinguished ability characterizing the former administration at the hands of so many good and great men, and feeling keenly my doubtful capacity for the task, I shall not forget that no official position ever bestows honor till the occupant himself honors the position. I accept with fear and trembling, but with the fixed determination of meeting its duties in the strictest fidelity and good faith to the entire people of the State. Trusting in the great source of all wisdom, and invoking His Divine assistance, I shall feel encouraged in the confidence that all the public officers and good people throughout the State will cheerfully aid and cooperate with me in the faithful execution of the laws, preservation of peace, good order, and honor of the Commonwealth. The government being founded in the affections of the people as a means of their happiness, I shall expect and believe that every officer and citizen will gladly strive to secure its ample protection and encouragement to every person within its sacred borders; to this end, I will zealously apply myself while I hold the office, during to do right as the lights of wisdom under the Constitution and laws of the State shall require.

And then the House adjourned.

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## Every County of the South.

A bill has been introduced in Congress by Mr. Cobb, of North Carolina, in these words: "To protect loyal, peaceable citizens, and perpetuate the evidence of losses sustained in the rebellion; providing for the appointment of a commissioner in each county of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Louisiana, Virginia and Kentucky, to take cognizance of all Ku-Klux outrages."

## A Real Darky in the House.

A specimen of the colored representative of the new Congress appeared on the floor of the House the 13th inst. in the person of the Hon. R. B. Elliott, of South Carolina, a genuine African. He was for some time in the seat of his predecessor, Judge Hoge, and attracted very general attention. The other colored members of the House are three-fourths white, but Elliott is pure black. The Republican members did not seem inclined to give him a very warm welcome.

## Grant's Prospects for a Renomination.

The politicians and party managers of the Radical party—the friends of the various aspirants for the Presidency—are earnestly at work in Washington shaping things for the convention which is to nominate the candidate in 1872. While the friends of the other aspirants are keeping their movements as much in the dark as possible, Grant's "backers" make no secret of the fact that he will be a candidate before the Radical National Convention for re-nomination; and it is said that Grant himself does not deny that he desires to make a second tour of duty.

A number of the Radical and intelligent property owners of McCracken County, have held a public meeting in regard to the Elizabethton and Paducah Railroad. It is proposed that resistance be offered in the county to the payment of the tax which was voted in aid of the road, and it is stated by the Kentucky that the decision in the Garrard county case was read upon the occasion, and a hopeful conclusion was drawn therefrom, that McCracken county can successfully resist the collection of any further taxes.

## The Test Oath Repealed.

That which is known as the test oath has been repealed. Its effect has been to exclude every southerner who in the remotest manner gave aid or comfort to the confederate cause. Consequently, almost all were under the ban, and for some time Senators Hill and Miller of Georgia have been kept out of the Senate of the United States. Upon issue of repeal in the House as many as sixty republicans voted with the democrats. Grant justified Congress that the bill to modify the iron clad oath had become a law without his signature.

## The Approaching Legislative Race.

For the Courier.

### Call on Thos. E. Gleason.

MIDDLE DISTRICT, FULTON CO., KY.  
Ed. Courier.—There for the Legislature in August next seems to be exciting some interest in your paper. There are already two candidates in Hickman county, and there will no doubt be another as soon as the present session is over. Fulton is entitled to the representative this term, and we ought to bring out a man that can unite the entire vote of both counties. Cannot such a man be found? We are plain old farmers, and we would like to have a farmer to represent us, and would suggest the name of Thos. E. Gleason, as a suitable man. He would carry the county as any man that could be found.

### Call on W. R. McDaniel.

Ed. Courier.—Some interest seems to be manifesting itself in reference to whom amongst the many patriotic sons of Fulton and Hickman shall offer himself as a sacrifice by accepting a seat in the next Legislature of this Commonwealth as our representative, with due deference to the distinguished names which have been presented through the columns of your valuable paper, we desire to say that in choosing our standard bearer for the coming year we should select one who is thoroughly identified with the material interest of the country, and one who is likewise thoroughly versed in the practical economy of the day—and such being our views we know of no one better qualified for the position than our esteemed fellow citizen W. R. McDaniel, Esq., a man who has been from his infancy identified with the people of Fulton, and one who combines with his great fund of good sense and intimate acquaintance with the farm and farming interest of the country. Permits us then, Ed., to say that if W. R. McDaniel will consent to make the canvass, he will receive a hearty support from the citizens of this end of the county, and as we believe will be acceptable to a large majority of the voters of the county. What say you friend Mc? Let us hear from you and oblige.

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## A Call Repudiated.

LONDON, KY., Feb. 14, 1871.

Ed. Courier.—In your last weeks issue appears a notice calling upon A. S. Arnold, of Hickman county, to become a candidate to represent the counties of Hickman and Fulton in the lower branch of the Legislature, the next term, pledging him the support of "many voters" in this district. In the event he consents to make the race, with a valued regard for the abilities of Mr. Arnold and a high appreciation of his qualifications for that office, we hope he will pardon the liberty we are taking in calling his attention to the fact, that this call originated in the mind of only one man—a dead weight, who unauthorized and alone forwarded that notice for publication. We are not reluctant to confess that the pondering evidence of most suitable men for public office is largely in favor of Hickman county, at the same time we hope we may be allowed the liberty of asserting that we will maintain the right of supporting any man we choose, and this right we will most certainly exercise upon the day of election in supporting Fulton county's nominee, be he a Cincinnati, Franklin, or a Washington.

## Call on Dr. Alexander.

Mr. Editor.—Your paper calls upon various parties to become candidates for the Legislature. In all countries, they have not yet hit upon the right man. I hear a number express a desire for Dr. J. A. Alexander, to make the race. He is tried and true, and never yet faltered on no part of the ground.

## New Advertisements.

### 30 Miles For Sale.

E. W. STEVENS, has 30 miles (three and four years old, which will sell low for cash) to responsible parties on twelve months time.

### House and Lot for Sale.

I WILL sell my unexpired lease on the south-east corner of Clinton and Kentucky Streets in the City of Hickman. Any person desiring to purchase the same will call on Judge Walker who is authorized to close the trade.

### HICKMAN AGENCY.

GROVER & BAKER'S IMPROVED SEWING MACHINES. MR. THOS. J. LANE, is the authorized agent for the above machine, at Hickman, and has a number now on exhibition at C. & T. Lane's. This is one of the best machines now in use, and has always given thorough satisfaction. Full instructions given free of charge. The public are requested to call and examine.

### JOHN C. WILSON & CO.

TOBACCO FACTORS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, 56 CARondelet STREET, New Orleans.

### SCHOOL.

MISSES Emma and Cornelia Engle, will commence school on Monday, Feb. 20th. Half tuition payable last April. Airs are thankfully received.

### Taken Up as Strays.

D. J. H. Simmons, living five miles east of Hickman, near the Brecken road, in Fulton county, on the 14th inst. one black and white cow, supposed aged about eight years, with white face, some white on back, belly and hind legs, and some black on the left ear, also one roan cow, aged eight or nine years, marked with crop and hock in right ear, and seal on the left ear, but having no brands or other marks. The two appeared at the value of thirty dollars. Witness my hand this 14th day of January, 1871.

### EDUCATIONAL.

WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM our friends and the public that we will open our School for the Spring and Summer session on or before the 15th of March next. It is our purpose to build up, if possible, a classical and mathematical school, from which pupils shall be prepared to enter the highest universities in the land, and to them by the best practical instruction for any business they may have to do.

### Administrators Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed an Administrator of the estate of S. H. BARD, deceased, late of Fulton county, Ky. All persons indebted to said estate, are hereby notified to come forward and settle immediately, as all claims unpaid will be placed in an officers hands for collection on the 1st of October. Those having claims against said estate will present them for settlement.

### Town Property.

FOR SALE. A BEAUTIFUL and well improved dwelling house in West Hickman, with garden, stables, etc., which will be sold cheap for cash, or exchanged on reasonable terms for country property.

### JOHN WITTING.

Cor. Jackson and Cumberland Sts. STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES. LIQUORS, TOBACCO, CIGARS, ETC.

### DR. H. C. CATLET.

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY. Office Corner Jackson and Cumberland Streets.

### That Old Saddle.

A. S. ANDERSON, pays cash for hides, tallow, bees-wax, furs, &c. Saddlery at reduced prices, such as collars, harness, chains, bridles, harness (single and double), side leashes, man and boy saddles of every description in fact everything a farmer wants in his line of business.

## NEW STORE! NEW GOODS!

for the World Renowned SINGERS SEWING MACHINE.

As a stray, by W. C. Fordham, living four miles west of Hickman, in Mid Creek, Fulton County, Ky., on the 6th inst., one iron Gray Mare, aged about four years, having one white face and about fifteen hands high, but having no brand or other marks, and which I appraise at the value of one hundred and ten dollars. Witness my hand, this 15th day of December, 1870.

## Joe's Saloon!

FOR KENTUCKY & CLINTON STS. Hickman, Kentucky. The elite saloons. The finest brands of liquors, cigars, constantly on hand.

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